June 26, 2018

The Honorable Matthew Harper California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 3149 Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Assembly Bill 2880 (as amended June 12) - Support

Dear Assembly Member Harper:

I am pleased to inform you that at the June 21, 2018 meeting of the bipartisan Fair Political Practices Commission, the Commission voted to support Assembly Bill 2880, a bill amending the Political Reform Act.

AB 2880 would authorize the governing body of a local government agency to contract with the Commission for the impartial administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance or government ethics laws limited to jurisdictions of less than 3,000,000 residents. The bill would further clarify that the contracts with the City of Sacramento and County of San Bernardino will continue as contracted. Lastly, the bill would require a report to the Legislature by January 1, 2025.

In its May 25, 2018 letter, the Commission requested amendments relating to the termination of agreements and the need for the contract to be reviewed by the Department of Finance. The bill, as amended on June 12, satisfied the policy conditions expressed by the Commission.

For these reasons, the Commission supports AB 2880. If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 322-7635 or pung@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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